

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior version, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-11. (Canceled).

12. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for obtaining physiological data of at least one person, comprising:

at least one sensor for detecting the physiological data, including a measured pulse rate of the at least one person; and

a control unit for determining, on the basis of the physiological data, the age of the at least one person.

13. (Currently Amended) The apparatus as recited in Claim 12, wherein the at least one sensor [[is]] includes an image transducer.

14. (Currently Amended) The apparatus as recited in Claim 13, wherein the image transducer is a stereo video sensor, the physiological data includes a pupil size of the at least one person, and wherein the video sensor is assigned an evaluation module configured to measure the pupil size of the at least one person, and the pupil size is utilized in determining the age.

15. (Previously Presented) The apparatus as recited in Claim 14, wherein the video sensor is configured for triangulation measurement.

16. (Previously Presented) The apparatus as recited in Claim 13, further comprising: an ultrasound spacing sensor for measuring the spacing of the at least one person from an air bag cover.

17. (Previously Presented) The apparatus as recited in Claim 14, wherein the control unit correlates the measurement of the pupil size with at least one further measured value for determining the age.

18. (Previously Presented) The apparatus as recited in Claim 17, wherein the control unit uses hair color, smoothness of face, and skin texture of the at least one person as the at least one further measured value.

19. (Currently Amended) The apparatus as recited in Claim 17, ~~further comprising:~~
wherein the at least one sensor includes a pressure pick-up for measuring [[a]] the pulse rate of the at least one person, ~~wherein~~ the control unit [[uses]] using the pulse rate of the at least one person as the at least one further measured value.

20. (Previously Presented) The apparatus as recited in Claim 19, wherein the pressure pick-up is positioned in one of a steering wheel and in a vehicle seat.

21. (Currently Amended) The apparatus as recited in Claim 17, wherein the at least one further measured value includes an electrical parameter of the at least one person, the electrical parameter being indicative of a body composition of the at least one person.

22. (Previously Presented) The apparatus as recited in Claim 17, wherein the at least one further measured value includes a weight of the at least one person.